

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MBABANE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1156  
INFO AMEMBASSY LOME

C O N F I D E N T I A L MBABANE 0394

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, PORG, OAU, WZ  
SUBJECT: OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS, LOME

REF: STATE 32906

1. GIVEN GOS' TRADITIONAL MODERATION AND DISINCLINATION TO GET OUT FROUNT ON ANYTHING, SWAZI DELEGATION WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO TAKE STRONG POSITION ON ANY AGENDA ITEM AT OAU MEETING. ON POLITICAL ISSUES, WE CANNOT SEE GOS INJECTING ITSELF INTO CONTROVERSY OVER DECISION OF OAU LIBERATION COMMITTEE CONCERNING ZIMBABWE PARTRIOTIC FRONT. DOUBT THAT GOS HAS VIEWS ON ISSUES RELATED TO DJIBOUTI, SPANISH SAHARA, OR ARAB-AFRICAN MATTERS. ON SOUTHERN AFRICAN MATTERS, GOS POSITION HAS BEEN SINCERE, BUT LOW-KEY, SUPPORT FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER'S INITIATIVES. GOS POSITION ON KOREA AND MIDDLE EAST CAN BE GAUGED BY FACT THAT SWAZILAND RECOGNIZES SOUTH KOREA AND IS ONE OF FEW AFRICAN STATES WITH ISRAELI EMBASSY.

2. WITHOUT APPROACHING HOST GOVERNMENT, EMBASSY UNABLE BE HELPFUL IN PROJECTING GOS POSITION ON OTHER ISSUES LISTED REFTEL EXCEPT TO NOTE THAT SWAZI DEL WOULD PROBABLY SUPPORT ANY NON-EXTREME MEASURES THAT  
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MAY BE PROPOSED FOR IMPORIVING ECONOMIC POSITION OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

3. AS OF FEBRUARY 16, GOS HAD NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER TO PARTITICIPATE IN LOME MEETING.  
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